Docket No. 202785US0X

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Toshiaki TAKEZAWA, et al.

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FOR:

CARRIER FOR CO-CULTURING A FERTILIZED OVUM OF AN ANIMAL AND METHOD OF CULTURING

A FERTILIZED OVUM OF AN ANIMAL USING THE CARRIER

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration w/Marked-up Copy in the above-identified application.

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☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.

Additional documents filed herewith: Substitute Specification (21 pgs., 10 Claims)

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed January 14, 2003, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 12 as follows:

According to the present invention, the fertilized ovum of an animal can be grown three-dimensionally in a culture system. As such, the present invention is useful for elucidation of the differences between the three-dimensional growth of the fertilized ovum in an in vitro culture system and the development of the early embryo from the fertilized ovum implanted in vivo. In addition, the present invention is useful for the evaluation of teratogenic materials, or grafting of an embryo initially developed from the fertilized ovum.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 21 as follows: